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ELECTRONIC CAMERA WITH AN AUTOMATIC LENS COVER

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please delete claims 1-9 without a disclaimer and any prejudice to.

Conclusion

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application. It is believed that no new matter is added by this

amendment. If the Examiner desires any additional information, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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